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PAPER ON SKIN™ 2026 COMPETITION NOW OPEN

For immediate release

Paper on Skin™ has opened entries for its **2026 competition**.

Based in Devonport on the North-West coast of Tasmania, the competition celebrates the ingenuity and wonder of wearable paper art.

Since its first iteration in 2012, Paper on Skin™ has grown to become a **world-leading event**, attracting international artists, audiences, and industry attention.

The event represents paper as a **serious, sustainable and challenging medium** for contemporary practice. Designers and artists from around the world are honoured for their creative vision and technical mastery.

Paper on Skin™ 2026 will involve a suite of activities dedicated to elevating this unique artform.

Program highlights include:

- Premier theatrical gala and award evening (3 October)
- **\$16 000 total prize pool** – eleven prizes, including two new awards
- Up-Close Showcase at Basalt exclusive post-award showing and Q&A with artists at the The Basalt Restaurant, The Cove
- International Workshop Series with US-based papermaker and book artist **Erica Spitzer Rasmussen**
- Cultural exchanges with international paper and design organisations
- Filmed activities, events and artist showcases
- Original soundtrack
- Community engagement programming
- 5-week exhibition at the **Devonport Regional Gallery**

Entries close 16 Feb

Major Partner – Devonport City Council

Partner – North-West Support Services

Accommodation and Events Partner – The Cove Tasmania

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